

Remarks

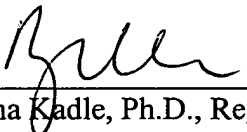
Claims 1-4, 7-11 and 14 are pending in this application. The Examiner has indicated that claims 2 and 3 are allowable and therefore to expedite allowance, Applicants have amended claim 1 to incorporate the limitations of claims 2 and 3 into claim 1. Similarly, the Examiner has indicated that claims 9 and 10 are allowable and therefore, to expedite allowance, Applicants have incorporated the limitations of claims 9 and 10 into claim 8. Applicants therefore believe that claims 1 and 8 (and their dependent claims) are now allowable.

Conclusion

Based on the above arguments and amendments, Applicants believe that claims 1-4, 7-11 and 14 are now in a condition for allowance and therefore respectfully request the Examiner to allow these claims.

This application is being filed within 3 months of the date of the office action and therefore it is believed that no fee is due. If however, that is incorrect, any fee due may be charged to Deposit Account No. 08-2442.

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